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HOUSE BILL NO. 207

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BY REPRESENTATIVE LEBAS

Prefiled pursuant to Article III, Section 2(A)(4)(b)(i) of the Constitution of Louisiana.

DRUGS/PRESCRIPTION: Exempts certain dispensers from the prescription monitoring program

AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 40:1006(C), relative to the Prescription Monitoring Program 3 Act; to provide the Louisiana Board of Pharmacy authority to exempt certain 4 dispensers from the reporting of prescription monitoring information; to provide the 5 board authorization to rescind exemptions; and to provide for related matters. 6 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana: 7 Section 1. R.S. 40:1006(C) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows: 8 §1006. Reporting of prescription monitoring information 9 10 C. The board may issue a waiver to a dispenser who is unable to submit 11 prescription information by electronic means. The waiver shall state the format and 12 frequency with which the dispenser shall submit the required information. The board 13 may issue an exemption from the reporting requirement to a dispenser whose 14 practice activities are inconsistent with the intent of the program. The board may 15 rescind any previously issued exemption without the need for an informal or formal 16 hearing. 17

## **DIGEST**

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**Abstract:** Authorizes the La. Board of Pharmacy to exempt certain dispensers from the prescription monitoring program.

<u>Present law</u> authorizes the board to waive electronic reporting requirements for certain dispensers.

<u>Proposed law</u> authorizes the board to exempt a dispenser whose practice activities are inconsistent with the intent of the prescription monitoring program from the statutory reporting requirement.

<u>Proposed law</u> allows the board to rescind any exemptions that are issued without the necessity of having an informal or formal hearing.

(Amends R.S. 40:1006(C))